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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of documents (1) and (2) are enclosed.

(1) Jonathan Harrington, Jane Johnstone: "The Effects of Equivalence Classes on Parsing Phonemes into Words in Continuous Recognition", (1987) 22, Sept./Dec., Nos. 3-4, London, Great Britain; pp. 273-288, 1987.

(2) Steve Reynolds, David McKelvie, Fergus McInnes: "A Comparative Study of Continuous Speech Recognition using Neural Networks and Hidden Markov Models", 1991, Proceedings IEEE International Conference on Acoustics, Speech and Signal Processing, pp. 369-372, Toronto.

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Documents (1) and (2) were cited during prosecution of a European patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application.

The subject application has received an Office Action on the merits but has not yet received either a final action or a Notice of Allowance. Accordingly, this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(c) and is accompanied by the $180.00 fee specified at 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(p). Consideration of the art cited herein is accordingly deemed proper, and such action is respectfully requested.

Additionally, the Examiner is requested to indicate that this information has been considered by initialing the appropriate portion of Form PTO-1449 and returning the initialed form to Applicants with the next communication.

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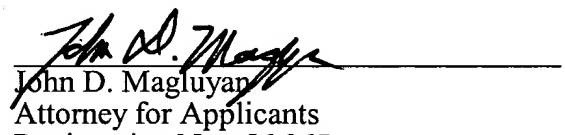
Respectfully submitted,



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